## Today's News - January 5, 2005

Foreign starchitects bring than just glamour to China's building boom. – Not everyone is pleased with towering plans for Sacramento. – Another take on the new year in U.K. architecture. – Design Week in Israel may last all year. – Glitches in plans for a Brooklyn greenway. – Piano works on his New York accent. – Shim says success is in knowing what projects to turn down. – The Eames family takes on more than preserving a legacy. – An eco-friendly theme park heading to Las Vegas. – Bridge-building boom (no designers named, but the pix are great). – Three visions for spanning the Hudson River. – Whose tower is it anyway? – A European prize for town and city reconstruction.

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Great Leap Upward Transforms Chinese Skyline: As the Middle Kingdom bounds onto the world stage, it's turning wholesale to foreign architects to trumpet its arrival...lend prestige and glamour to a project, they also bring design expertise... Pei; Koolhaas; Foster; Andreu; Jerde, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Herzog + de Meuron; Xian Dai (LA Times)- Canton Repository (Ohio)

<u>Lofty plan for state capital skyline: Sacramento developer wants to build \$400 million, 52-story hotel and condominium project - Mulvanny G2</u>- San Francisco Chronicle

Start the year 2005 architecture: Steel scribbles lift the spirits - Will Alsop is set to revive his fortunes - 2005 architecture to see. By Giles Worsley- Telegraph (UK)

The fairgrounds and the flea market: The Tel Aviv Fairgrounds and a few other sites mark the opening today of a grand and controversial event - among designers at least..."Design 2005" and "Design Week in Israel."- Ha`aretz (Israel)

Greenway Glitches: City's Plans For Brooklyn "Greenway" Undermine Its Purpose-Gotham Gazette

A Man About Town, in Glass and Steel: For an architect who had never designed a building in New York before...Renzo Piano is suddenly spending a lot of time here. By Robin Pogrebin - Fox & Fowle; Skidmore, Owings & Merrill [images]- New York Times

Brigitte Shim: For Toronto architect, success this year is not in winning lucrative contracts but in knowing which ones to turn down. By Christopher Hume - Shim-Sutcliffe Architects-Toronto Star

The Eames Experience: In establishing a new foundation, the Eames family learns that promoting the legacy of Charles and Ray extends beyond preservation of the iconic house. [images]- Metropolis Magazine

Trees of Paradise: ...Senscity Paradise Universe, [150-acre] eco-friendly theme park being developed on the outskirts of Las Vegas. - Behnisch, Behnisch & Partner; Transsolar [image]- Wired magazine

Spanning the Globe: A user's guide to the new golden age of bridges [images]- Wired magazine

Design a New Hudson River Bridge: Judge: Richard Meier; The Winner includes office space and entertainment venues as well as crossings for pedestrians, trains, and vehicles. FLAnk Architecture; DanielsDesign; Abid Ghayyoor/Humber College [images]-New York Magazine

Whose tower is it anyway? London's Centre Point...beehive hairdo of a tower was a collaborative feat. By Jonathan Glancey - George Marsh; Colonel Richard Seifert; Ken Shuttleworth; Norman Foster- Guardian (UK)

Call for entries: Philippe Rotthier Prize for Architecture 2005: European Prize for Town and City Reconstruction; deadline: April 15- Fondation pour l'Architecture

- -- Richard Meier: Jesolo Lido Village, Jesolo Lido, Italy
- Rojkind Arquitectos: casa pR34, Tecamachalco, Mexico
- -- Travel: Design Hotel, Great Eastern Hotel, London
- -- Book: Eating Architecture, Edited by Jamie Horwitz & Paulette Singley

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